

AMERICAN DENDROBATID GROUP

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The purpose of the ADG is to develop better communication between Dendrobatid breeders in North America. This is not a replacement of the ISSD Bulletin. It is designed to keep dendrobatid frog breeders in better communication with one another. We hope that with this communication we will be able to solve some of the problems which confront us all. This newsletter will appear bimonthly and will cost \$5.00 annually to cover printing and mailing.

Subscriptions, comments, etc. should be sent to Charles Powell (2932 Sunburst Dr., San Jose, CA 95111 Tel.: (408) 363-0926) or Terry Chatterton (8007 Ridge Rd., Arvada, CO 80002 Tel.: (303) 340 7647).

Book announcement

The Serpent's Tail Natural History Books & Supplies (464 Second St., Excelsior, MN 55331 Tel.: (612) 470-5008) is selling the long awaited English language edition of Ralf Heselhaus' book "Pfeilgiftfrösche" ["Poison-arrow frogs: their natural history and care in captivity."] for \$32 postpaid, or \$33.50 for 2nd day air service.

Breeding problems

"I am presently working with *Dendrobates reticulatus* and recently was rewarded with my first clutch of eggs from this species. I had 6 eggs, 4 of which hatched. Of the 4 tadpoles, 3 appeared to have central nervous system problems: they had ballast problems and could only swim in very tight circles. The fourth appeared fine. I set these all up as I have done for *D. auratus* and *D. leucomelas* (water straight from the tap at room temperature, in 200 ml beakers with a 'dab' of frozen blood worms. The next morning all four tadpoles were dead." If anyone can offer any suggestions please forward them to Wayne Crill (Department of Zoology, NJ-15, University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195 USA (crillwd@zoology.washington.edu).

Want Adds: For Sale

Dendrobates truncatus

Terry Chatterton
8007 Ridge Road
Arvada, CO 80002

Dendrobates auratus 'Costa Rica'

Sean Healy
3140 Savage Rd.
Sarasota, FL 34231

Dendrobates leucomelas

Dendrobates tinctorius 'Tafelberg'

Ed Oshaben
4154 Lincoln Ave..
Willoughby, Ohio 44094-6035

Dendrobates pumilio (orange)

Bill Peterson
One Riegel Oaks Lane
Homewood, IL 60430

Dendrobates tinctorius 'Yellow Back'
(1, year old frog)

Charles Powell
2932 Sunburst Dr.
San Jose, CA 95111

New source of wild caught frogs - write for a list
The Serpent's Egg
1809 Irving St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20010

Want Adds: Service

George R. Gleisner (W172N13125 Division Rd., Germantown, WI 53022 Tel.: (414) 677-2859) will translate literature on Dendrobatids from German to English for \$2.00/page. He is well qualified with undergraduate degrees in both Biology and German.

Breeding Loans (Wanted-buy or trade)

Dendrobates bicolor - male

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Dendrobates quinquevittatus - female (as illustrated in Heselhaus's
"Pfeilgiftfrösche," p. 38).

Steve Waldron

Dendrobates "variabilis" - female

Steve Waldron

(Will trade a well established female *D. reticulatus* for above)

New Members

George Gleisner (Wisconsin)

Kenneth Kelp (Pennsylvania)

David Lutz (Pennsylvania)

John Magan (Virginia)

Hans Zwoferink (Holland)

National Aquarium (Maryland)